GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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Capacity Expansion Plan for Projects
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways proposes any capacity expansion plan for the next four years;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the said plan will address indirect multiplier effects through strong backward, forward linkages, lower logistics costs and higher productivity;
(d) if so, the details and the features thereof; and
(e) the time by which the said expansion plan is likely to be finalised?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)
(a) & (b) In the budget of 2015-16, a 5 year investment plan of `8,56,020 Crore was indicated comprising `1,99,320 Crore for Network decongestion, `1,93,000 Crore for Network expansion, `39,000 Crore for National Projects, `1,27,000 Crore for Safety, `5,000/- Crore for Information Technology / Research, `1,02,000/- for Rolling Stock, `12,500/- Crore for Passenger Amenities, `65,000/- Crore for High Speed Rail & Elevated corridor, `1,00,000/- Crore for Station redevelopment and logistic parks and `13,200/- Crore for Others.
(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. Investment in rail infrastructure is known to have multiplier effects on different economic activities.
(e) Execution of the expansion plan is a continuous process. No time frame can be fixed as realisation of the 5-year expansion plan is dependent on availability of fund and other factors such as land availability, forest clearance etc.
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